(a) the number of the Non-Government Organizations which have been granted financial assistance by Government under Integrated Programme for Street Children during the last three years in the North Eastern Region, particularly Assam;

(b) whether the NGOs have spent the grant judiciously and for the purpose it was allocated; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor alongwith the action taken against the defaulter NGOs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) The details are as under:

Year	No. of NGOs assisted	
	North Eastern Region (including Assam)	NGOs in Assam
2002-03	10	04
2003-04	10	02
2004-05	12	04
2005-06	08	03

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The NGOs are granted financial assistance under the scheme for implementing project to provide shelter, nutrition, health care, sanitation and hygiene, safe drinking water, recreational facilities etc. to children without home and family ties. The grant has been spent accordingly.

Status of proposals received from Chhattisgarh

†2228. SHRI MOTILAL VORA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of proposals received from the State Government of Chhattisgarh for Central grants in the year 2005-06;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) the number of proposals pending with the Ministry at present, out of above;

(c) the steps being taken by Government for the speedy disposal of the pending proposals; and

(d) by when a final decision will be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (d) During the year 2005-06, ten proposals were received from the State Government of Chhattisgarh under various Centrally Sponsored Schemes out of which central grant has been sanctioned in four proposals while five proposals were found incomplete. The State Government has been requested to submit the complete proposals.

Drug addiction among children

2229. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of drug addiction among children in juvenile homes;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons therefor;

(d) the action taken thereon; and

(e) the steps being taken by Government to prevent such a situation in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (e) Government is aware of the possibility of children living in juvenile homes being affected by drug menace. State Governments/UT Administrations have been advised to avail of the services of Drug De-addiction and Counselling Centres set up across the country under the Scheme for Prevention of Alcoholism and Substance (Drugs) Abuse for these juvenile homes.